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1. As a result of the warning which [REDACTED] alleges has been given Tito by the United States not to give the USSR any pretext for war, Gani Bey Kryeziu has been forced to proceed more slowly and cautiously in building up an anti-Hoxha guerrilla and underground force.
2. Albanian refugees, however, are still being incorporated in para-military units in Peja. In the Debar area, Can Klezi is also continuing to build up a para-military force; although nominally subordinate to Kryeziu, he acts almost independently.
3. A Catholic Resistance Committee has been established in Prizren, headed by Nik Sokoli, leader of the Catholic guerrillas now in Yugoslavia.
4. In addition to Gani Kryeziu's Military Committee (with headquarters in Peja), an Albanian political committee has been set up in Prizren; this is headed by Safu Bey Ulqini, former regent of Albania during the German occupation.
5. During the last eight months, 30,000 Albanians have taken refuge in Yugoslavia.

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